जहां तक दिल्ली का ताल्लुक है दिल्ली में एक समस्या और बड़ी भयंकर है। बाहर दूसरे प्रांतों में हर वक्त बिजली नहीं रहती। कभी 6 घंटे आती है तो कभी 8 घंटे आती है और दिल्ली में 24 घंटे बिजली रहती है तो 24 घंटे बिजली रहने की वजह से लोगों ने अपने घरों में इंडस्ट्री लगा रखी है। वह क्या लिखते हैं कि हमने एयर कंडीशन चलाना है, हमने मोटर से पानी उठाना है। इस बहाने से कानेक्शन लेकर उद्योग चलाते हैं। हमने दिल्ली प्रशासन को कहा है कि वे इसको चैक करें और जिन लोगों ने इस तरह के गलत कानेक्शन ले रखे हैं उन के खिलाफ कार्यवाही करें ताकि प्रदूषण ज्यादा न फैले। इसकी रोकथाम के लिए सरकार कदम उठा रही है। अभी पिछले साल 19 नवम्बर को कानून पास करके सख्ती से कार्यवाही करने का काम हाथ में लिया है। किसी को भी सेव करने का सवाल नहीं है।

जहां तक लाइसेंस का ताल्लुक है नयी कोई फैक्टरी लगेगी देश के अन्दर तो पहले बकायदा उन को नो-आब्जेक्शन सर्टीफिकेट लेना पड़ेगा कि प्रदूषण को रोकने के लिए ट्रीटमेंट प्लांट उसके साथ लगायेंगे तभी उन को इंडस्ट्री चालू करने की परमिशन दी जायेगी।

श्री जेड. आर. अन्सारी : मैं सिर्फ एक अर्ज करना चाहता हूं। हमारे साल्वे साहब ने अभी एक कम्प्लीमेंट पेश किया है। ...(व्यवधान)।

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: You are not a partner in that.

श्री जेड. आर. अन्सारी : मेरा ख्याल है कि तालीमे इल्मी के जमाने में आपने भी यह पढ़ा होगा और मैंने भी पढ़ा है, उसी को मैं यहां पढ़ देता हूं।

"For laws and rules, let fools contest. Whatever is best administered is best."

Top positions lying vacant in NTC

*3. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:†

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Textile Corporation has been facing management crisis for quite some time past and that, apart from the top positions lying vacant in its four subsidiaries, the holding company itself has been facing exodus of Directors;

(b) if so, since when the top positions in the four subsidiaries of the NTC have been lying vacant and the reasons for not filling up the vacancies;

(c) how many Directors have since left the holding company and the reasons therefor; and

(d) what is its overall impact on the efficient functioning of the NTC and what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) There has been no exodus of Directors but there has been some difficulties in getting suitable persons for the top positions in the NTC.

(b) At present there are vacancies of Chairman-cum-Managing Directors in four subsidiaries of NTC as follows:—

Name of Subsidiary	Date from which post lying vacant
1	2
NTC (Madhya Pradesh), Indore	25-12-1985
NTC (Uttar Pradesh), Kanpur	29-11-1985

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Virendra Verma.

1	2
NTC (Maharashtra North), Bombay.	1-3-1986
NTC (Maharashtra South), Bombay.	28-11-1986

The reasons for the delay in filling up these vacancies were non-availability of suitable candidates in the open market and reluctance of State Governments to spare officers for deputation to these posts. However, action has already been taken to fill up these posts.

(c) Only one Director (the former Managing Director) has since left the holding company by putting in his resignation.

(d) The functioning of the NTC has by and large not been adversely effected by these vacancies, because alternative arrangements have been made. Action to fill up these vacant posts is in progress and selections have already been completed in most cases.

श्री बीरेन्द्र वर्मा : क्या माननीय मंत्री जी यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि एन.टी.सी. के वर्तमान मैनेजिंग डायरेक्टर कौन साहब हैं और वे कितने दिनों से हैं ? क्या यह सही है कि उनके व्यवहार और पक्षपातपूर्ण रवैये के कारण डायरेक्टरों का ट्रांसफर किया जाता है जिसकी वजह से बहुत से डायरेक्टर्स वहां से भाग रहे हैं ? माननीय मंत्री जी के उत्तर के 'डी' भाग को देखने से पता चलता है कि वहां पर 14 और 15 महीनों से स्थान रिक्त पड़े हुए हैं । मंत्री जी ने अपने उत्तर में कहा है कि इन रिक्तियों से एन.टी.सी. के कार्य-संचालन पर कुल मिलाकर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव नहीं पड़ा है । ऐसी स्थिति में जब प्रतिकूल प्रभाव नहीं पड़ा है और ये स्थान एक वर्ष और 15 महीनों से रिक्त पड़े हैं तो इन रिक्तियों को भरने की क्या आवश्यकता है ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: Madam, I have stated in my answer how many vacancies exist in the NTC. It is true that some of these vacancies have been there for a long time. But we are making all efforts to see that they are filled at the earliest possible opportunity. There is the Public Enterprises Selection Board which selects persons for these vacancies. After the Board's recommendations are received, they are processed in the proper way by the Government and orders are issued. There are some problems which come in the selection of proper persons. One is, the State Governments are not offering their officers for appointment to these undertakings. So, the only choice before us is to go to the open market. But in the open market also the quality of the persons available who offer themselves for serving in this position, is not very satisfactory. In spite of this, some decisions have been taken. As I have said, we are taking steps. As on today, Madam, selections for all (but one) vacancies have been made. The Board has sent us names. The State Governments did not send the names. But we have found other ways to get the names and have them screened by the Board, and very soon appointments to these vacancies will be made.

As regards the hon. Member's query whether there is an exodus because of not proper behaviour on the part of the Chairman-cum-Managing Director, I clearly said in my answer that only one Director has left the holding company, and there is no other instance of this. And we are seeing that everyone who is with us or joins us is treated properly so that we can get the best out of him.

श्री बीरेन्द्र वर्मा : माननीय मंत्री जी ने अपने उत्तर में कहा है कि एक ही डायरेक्टर ऐसे गये हैं । मैं आपके सामने तीन डायरेक्टरों के नाम रखना चाहता हूं । Managing Director, Mr. S. V. Iyer, left on 1-12-1986.

दूसरे डायरेक्टर हैं श्री एम. एस. राठौर जो दो महीने पहले छोड़ कर चले गये हैं । इनके अलावा जो फाइनेन्स को डील करते हैं श्री बी. आर. भाटिया, वे छुट्टी पर हैं । वे भी जाने वाले हैं । ये तीन पोस्ट्स मैंने आपके सामने पेश की हैं । अब मैं अपनी सप्लीमेंटरी पूछता हूं । क्या माननीय मंत्री जी यह बताएंगे कि जो एक्सपर्ट कमेटी इस संबंध में सरकार ने

बैठाई थी उस एक्सपर्ट कमेटी ने कहा है कि एन.टी.सी. टोपे हेवी है, इसको रैशनलाइज करने की आवश्यकता है। ऐसी स्थिति में उस एक्सपर्ट कमेटी ने अपनी रिपोर्ट आपको दी है तो उस पर अब तक सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ? बी पार्ट मेरा यह है कि कैबिनेट से आपने जो आई.ए.एस. और आई.ए.ए.एस. की नियुक्तियां करने के लिये स्वीकृति प्राप्त करने की कोशिश की, उसमें कैबिनेट का डिसीजन क्या हुआ ? मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूं कि एक्सपर्ट कमेटी ने अपनी रिपोर्ट कब दी और उस पर क्या कार्यवाही हुई ? कैबिनेट का डिसीजन इस संबंध में जो हुआ उस पर क्या कार्यवाही हुई, इसको भी मंत्री जी बताने की कृपा करें ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: Two names were mentioned about the persons who left. They left on the expiry of their term. So, there is no question of their being made to leave as the hon. Member has alleged.

As regards the Committee, which the hon. Member has referred to, I would like to say that we all the time review the working of the Corporation whether it is at the technical level or at the managerial level. Working groups etc. all the time go into these matters.

SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Expert Committee.

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: We have reports that there is surplus labour in many areas. We have reports that the management set-up has to be reorganised. These imports have been with us. From 16 positions, we have reduced 8 posts of Directors. Other actions as per this report as well as as per our general assessment of the situation are being taken.

श्री वीरेन्द्र वर्मा : मान्यवर, मैंने यह पूछा था कि एक्सपर्ट कमेटी ने अपनी रिपोर्ट कब दी ? यह मेरा स्पेसिफिक क्वेश्चन था। कि कैबिनेट मीटिंग कब हुई जिसमें आई.ए.एस. और आई.ए.ए. एस. के सलेक्शन के बारे में डिसीजन हुआ, मैंने यह दो स्पेसिफिक सवाल पूछे थे ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: I have specifically said that the report has not only been received, but has also been acted upon.

श्री वीरेन्द्र वर्मा : कब रिसीव हुई थी ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: But, we are taking that report as well as other reports very seriously. This is not necessary to go to the Cabinet to get dispensation for I.A.S. Officers to serve.

I will come to my earlier statement now. We find it difficult to get requisite qualified people from the open market. There is not much of future there. Our salary scales are different from what is available in the private sector. I can give you the whole series of reasons why we cannot attract people from the open market. If somebody worthwhile is working somewhere, he is offered perquisites and salaries which we cannot match. Apart from that the people who come to us from the selection board, we don't know their background also. There is no CR about their previous performance. We cannot go to the employer and ask why he left him or was he turned out. So, all kinds of complications came in. The net result is that properly qualified persons of the requisite number are not available in the open market. Therefore, we approached the Department of Personnel. I am very grateful to my hon. colleague, Shri Chidambaram, for making a special exception. The normal rule is that if you get an IAS or any other Officer, he has to be absorbed in that public sector undertaking right away or after a short time. But even on that basis people are not prepared to come. So, we asked them not to insist on their absorption straightaway in the N.T.C. so, they have permitted those officers to be on deputation for three years, and, if necessary, later. And with this we have been able to get good candidates whose selections we are processing.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : माननीय, मंत्री जी ने अपने उत्तर में इस बात को स्वीकार किया है कि कुल मिलाकर यह कपड़ा वस्त्र निगम जो है इसकी कार्य क्षमता पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव नहीं पड़ा है । मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि इसके जो वर्तमान प्रबंध निदेशक हैं, ये कब से काम कर रहे हैं ? वह दिन कौन सा है जिस दिन उन्होंने अपने इस पद का भार ग्रहण किया ? दूसरा, मंत्री जी ने इस बात को भी स्वीकार किया है कि वहां पर अनेक पद खाली हैं इस संदर्भ में मैं यह भी पूछना चाहता हूं कि क्या वहां पर भ्रष्टाचार की कुछ शिकायतें सरकार को या विभाग को प्राप्त हुई हैं और इन सारी चीजों को देखते हुए क्या मंत्री जी इस निगम का पूरी तौर से पुनर्गठन करने पर विचार करेंगे ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: The present Chairman-cum-Managing Director of the holding company has been there since May, 1986. And, as I said, the process for selection is on. We would see that this period does not continue very much.

As regards complaints regarding corruption etc., I may mention that we have received them, but we have a regular vigilance set-up there. Here again, I would like to inform the House that good vigilance officers are not coming forward to join us. For example, we selected one I.P.S. Officer of a requisite standard and whose name had been suggested to us. And when we selected him, the State Government told us say after six or eight months that they could not spare him.

We are strengthening our vigilance set-up at the holding level as well as at the subsidiary company level. Any complaints that come, they are screened by them. Some of them are referred to the CBI also. We are pursuing all the complaints from vigilance angle which have been received by us.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : पुनर्गठन के संबंध में मेरा प्रश्न था कि इन सारी चीजों को देखते हुए यह जो कपड़ा वस्त्र निगम है क्या सरकार उसके पुनर्गठन पर विचार करेगी ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA: There is nothing like that. Earlier I gave an example that we have abolished or dropped the posts of Directors. This is a process which goes on all the time.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Next Question. Question No. 5.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: What about Question No. 4?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It has been postponed.

Now Question No. 5.

Indian delegation to Sri Lanka to discuss Ethnic Issue

*5. SHRI K. GOPALAN:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:†

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Indian delegations visited Sri Lanka during the last three years to hold talks to end the ethnic crisis;

(b) what are the names of the members of each delegation and the progress made by each delegation in this regard; and

(c) what steps are being taken to solve this crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) to (c) Eleven Indian delegations have visited Sri Lanka since July, 1983 specifically for discussions with the Sri Lanka Government on the ethnic crisis in that country. The names of the members of each delegation are given in the enclosed statement laid on the Table of the House (See below).

India's good offices for the purpose of finding a peaceful political settlement to the ethnic crisis in Sri Lanka were offered in response to requests to this effect from both the Sri Lanka Government and the Tamil Groups. India has repeatedly urged

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri V. Gopalsamy.